

# *Quick Questions*

**A Legal  
Consultation  
Service for  
Nonprofit  
Organizations**



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**D**o you ever need an answer to a “quick question” about legal issues that affect your operations?

But you don’t have access to the right lawyer? Perhaps an attorney on your Board isn’t really experienced in a particular field of law. Or maybe you are afraid of how much it might cost to ask a lawyer even to consider the question.

Montgomery McCracken is pleased to offer a *Quick Questions*<sup>®</sup> legal consultation service for nonprofit organizations with annual budgets of less than \$5 million. We’ll respond promptly, by telephone, to legal questions you may have about your organization. Ask us about:

- Governance issues
  - Tax-exempt status
  - Federal
  - State
  - Local
  - Charitable solicitation registration
  - Fundraising issues and charitable gifts
  - Compliance with health laws and regulations
  - Compliance with education laws and regulations
  - Employment law
  - Real estate law
  - Employee benefits
  - Lobbying and electioneering
  - Copyright and trademarks
  - Volunteer services
  - Tax-exempt financing
  - Private foundation rules
  - Joint ventures, alliances, mergers, or acquisitions
- Other issues of transparency and accountability or practically anything else you might want to know.

**Q**uick Questions<sup>®</sup> provides the following services to nonprofit organizations for a single fixed fee:

***Consultation and Research.***

We will provide up to three hours of telephone consultation and research per quarter at a sharply discounted rate. You may use it at your discretion for any area of your operations, when you are not sure you are doing the right thing, when you need to know whether your plan meets legal requirements, when you are concerned that you may be creating some significant liability for your organization, your board, or for yourself.

You have the full resources of our 120-lawyer firm available to you by simply placing a single call. We may confirm your own instinct. We may give you an entirely different way of seeing the problem. We may help you avoid a very costly lawsuit. We may do research and call you back later. We may tell you that you have a full-scale legal matter that requires full-scale legal attention.

***Quick Responses—Guaranteed.***

If a lawyer is not available to speak with you at the moment you call during normal business hours, and if you identify yourself as a Quick Questions<sup>®</sup> client to the secretary or receptionist who answers your call, then we promise that a lawyer will return your call within 60 minutes. If we fail to call you back within an hour, we will give you a free additional hour of Quick Questions<sup>®</sup> service.

## **The Fee.**

The current fee for *Quick Questions*<sup>®</sup> service is only \$750 each quarter, \$3,000 per year, payable quarterly in advance, plus out-of-pocket expenses. You may terminate the service at any time you wish.

## **Annual Strategic Planning Session.**

We will also provide an optional two-hour strategic planning session each year for only \$450. You may use that session to explore any area of your current operations or future plans. We will help you identify potential legal issues and opportunities.

## **Additional legal services are also available at the Firm's standard rates.**

We can provide additional consultation and research, if necessary, for a more elaborate question. We can also draft documents, negotiate agreements, or litigate matters if the need arises. Additional services are provided at our regular billing rates.

## **A Commitment to Nonprofits.**

Montgomery McCracken is a full-service law firm with a unique commitment to representing nonprofit organizations of all types. For more than thirty years we have been a leader in understanding the special needs of nonprofit organizations, and in meeting those needs with creative, cost-efficient, specialized legal services of the highest quality.

We represent hundreds of nonprofit organizations, ranging in size from major universities and medical research institutions to small volunteer community organizations. Our clients represent the entire spectrum of public charities, private and community foundations, fraternal and trade associations, religious and political organizations, advocacy groups, social clubs and other exempt entities.

We not only serve as counsel; we actively participate in the nonprofit sector. We serve on nonprofit Boards, and many of us worked full-time for nonprofit organizations before joining the Firm. We write, lecture and teach regularly for nonprofit executives and their professional advisers. We keep current on the law, but just as important, we understand the motivations of nonprofit managers and recognize that there are many ways to measure the "bottom line."

Our *Quick Questions*<sup>®</sup> service is just one of the special ways Montgomery McCracken serves nonprofits.

- Our Compliance Assessment Procedure offers an efficient way to take stock of an organization's current situation and identify steps to protect your organization's integrity and credibility.
- An attorney in our group publishes *Nonprofit Issues*<sup>®</sup>, a national electronic newsletter of "nonprofit law you need to know."
- We produce an annual day-long seminar titled "This Year in Nonprofit Law," covering the major developments in the field.

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